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Enabling or Destroying Entrepreneurs and Jobs

Hi

In these threatening economic times, the encouragement and enabling of entrepreneurship should be at the top of government and economic policy action. This is where jobs are created. However, government policies have been pointed in the wrong direction—even proving destructive of entrepreneurship.

A new analysis from the UK-based Institute of Economic Affairs should be compulsory reading for government policy-makers and economists. [Self-employment, Small Firms and Enterprise](#) focuses on the need to allow self-employment to flourish if entrepreneurship is to occur. It's a lengthy publication but we've put together a [summary of the main points](#).

This contrasts with what is happening in Australia. The Gillard government is introducing another Bill that will harm entrepreneurship. It should read the IEA analysis. The Bill will effectively kill off self-employment in the road transport sector. It will impose price-fixing on owner-drivers, denying them their key ability to be business people. We've made a [submission to the Parliamentary inquiry](#) calling for the rejection of the Bill.

And talking of threats, there's yet another analysis showing that the Australian superannuation system is at risk. The funds are not required to tell anyone anything about what they are doing with the billions of dollars they control. This story is [here](#).

Regards

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The Great Pub Debate



Ken Phillips (ICA) and Peter Strong (COSBOA) recently debated "The Future (or Death) of

Employment". Vids are [here](#).

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